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Form 8-K  
July 20, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 20, 2004

GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware   | 1-12983                  | 06-1398235                              |
| -----  | -----                    | -----                                   |
| (State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |

4 Tesseneer Drive

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Highland Heights, Kentucky 41076  
(Address of principal executive offices/Zip Code)

(859) 572-8000

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 5. Other Events

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On July 20, 2004, the registrant issued a press release, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) The exhibit accompanying this report is listed in the Index to Exhibits.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION

Date: July 20, 2004

By: /s/Robert J. Siverd

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Robert J. Siverd  
Executive Vice President and General Counsel

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

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| 99.1   | General Cable Corporation press release dated July 20, 2004 | Filed herewith   |